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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SOVIET SATELLITE: US/GOC CONSULTATIONS

1. DURING JANUARY 31ST CALL ON IO ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES, CANADIAN DCM TURNER STATED THAT GOC "MOST INTERESTED" IN CONSULTING WITH USA AUTHORITIES ON IMPLICATIONS OF COSMOS 954 RE-ENTRY, PARTICULARLY IN RELATION TO QUESTION OF POSSIBLE FOLLOW-ON ACTION IN UN SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE, FEBRUARY 13. TURNER INDICATED GOC WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY FOR EARLY BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AND IS PREPARED TO SEND SMALL TEAM OF TECHNICAL/LEGAL OFFICIALS TO WASHINGTON AT EARLY DATE.

2. MAYNES RESPONDED THAT US OFFICIALS WOULD, OF COURSE, CONFIDENTIAL

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WELCOME VISIT OF CANADIAN TEAM. HE NOTED THAT US CURRENTLY REVIEWING ALL ASPECTS OF COSMOS ISSUE AND HE COULD NOT SET PRECISE DATE FOR CANADIAN VISIT. YET MAYNES SAID THAT WE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH EMBASSY AS SOON AS FIRM DATE COULD BE ESTABLISHED.

3. INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP MEETING FEBRUARY 1

CONFIRMED DESIRABILITY OF MEETING WITH CANADIANS PRIOR
TO FEBRUARY 13 SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE

MEE;ING. RECOMMENDED DATE FOR CONSULTATIONS WOULD
BE FEBRUARY 7 OR 8.

4. WE HAVE INFORMED CANADIAN EMBASSY OFFICIALS
TODAY THAT GOC TEAM WOULD BE WELCOME IN WASHINGTON
FEBRUARY 7 OR 8 AND ASKED THEM TO DETERMINE CANADIAN
PREFERENCE.

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